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TAGS: PFOR CGEN YO (MANDIC, RATKO)

SUBJ: EXPULSION AMCIT

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1. RATKO MANDIC APPEARED THIS OFFICE JULY 20, 1973. HIS YUGOSLAV VISA HAS BEEN CANCELLED AND HE GIVEN THREE DAYS TO LEAVE COUNTRY. HE EXPECTED TO DEPART YUGOSLAVIA ON BEA FLIGHT NO. 792 TO LONDON 1630 PM JULY 20, 1973. DUE TO AIRLINE TICKET RESTRICTIONS MANDIC WILL STAY IN LONDON UNTIL JULY 23 AND THEN RETURN TO THE US.

2. MANDIC TOLD CONOFF HIS VISA CANCELLED BY POLICE AUTHORITIES TITOGRAĐ ON GROUNDS HE ENEMY OF YUGOSLAVIA. SPECIFIC ACCUSATIONS INCLUDED ACTIVE INVOLVEMENT IN CHETNIK ORGANIZATIONS IN US NATIONALISTIC ACTIVITIES IN YUGOSLAVIA AND ASSOCIATION WITH POLICE AUTHORITIES IN ITALIAN CAMP FOR YUGOSLAV REFUGEES.

3. MANDIC IS FORMER CONDITIONAL ENTRANT - HAVING LEFT YUGOSLAVIA IN 1963. HE VISITED YUGOSLAVIA THREE TIMES PREVIOUSLY, IN 1970, 1971 AND 1972. AT THE TIME OF LAST ENTRY HE STATED PARTY MEETING WAS HELD IN HIS VILLAGE TO CRITICIZE VILLAGE RESIDENTS WHO HAD ASSOCIATED WITH HIM. NINE DAYS AFTER HIS ARRIVAL, ON JULY 19 1973, HE WAS CALLED TO POLICE HEADQUARTERS IN TITOGRAĐ AND VISA WAS CANCELLED. HE WAS GIVEN UNTIL JULY 22 TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY.

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4. ALL ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE FOR MANDIC TO LEAVE BELGRADE

THIS DATE. SISTER WILL INFORM EMBASSY AFTER DEPARTURE ACCOMPLISHED.

5. FYI: MANDIC WAS IN PROCESS REBUILDING BROTHER'S HOUSE IN JASTREB AND INDICATIONS ARE THAT COMBINATION HS FORMER REFUGEE STATUS AND HIS SHOW OF WEALTH IN VILLAGE PROMPTED HIS EXPULSION. MANDIC DENIES INVOLVEMENT IN ANY POLITICAL ACTIVITIES RELATING TO YUGOSLAVIA, EITHER IN YUGOSLAVIA OR IN THE US.

6. HE IS A DUAL NATIONAL.
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